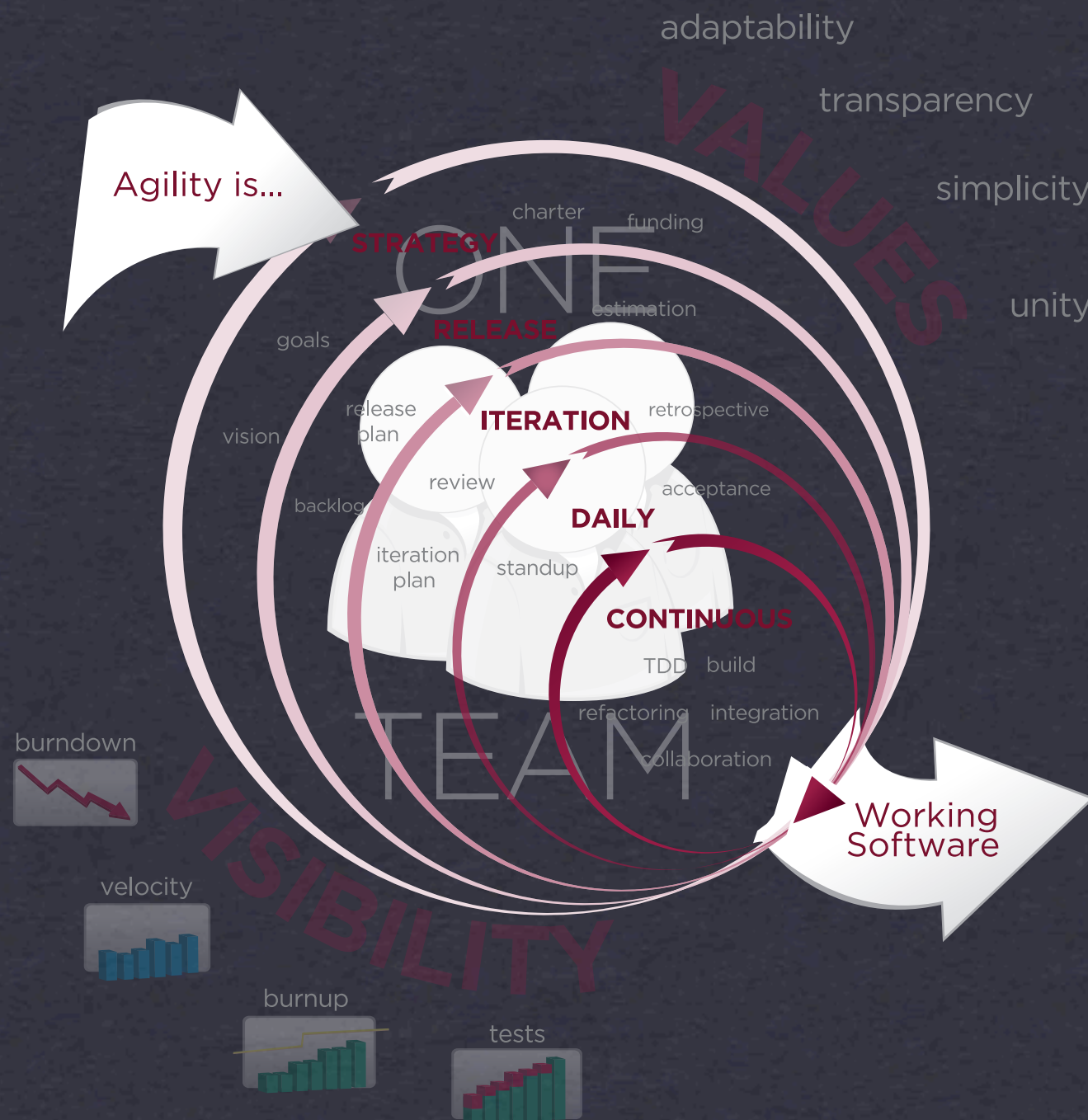


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Development Processes

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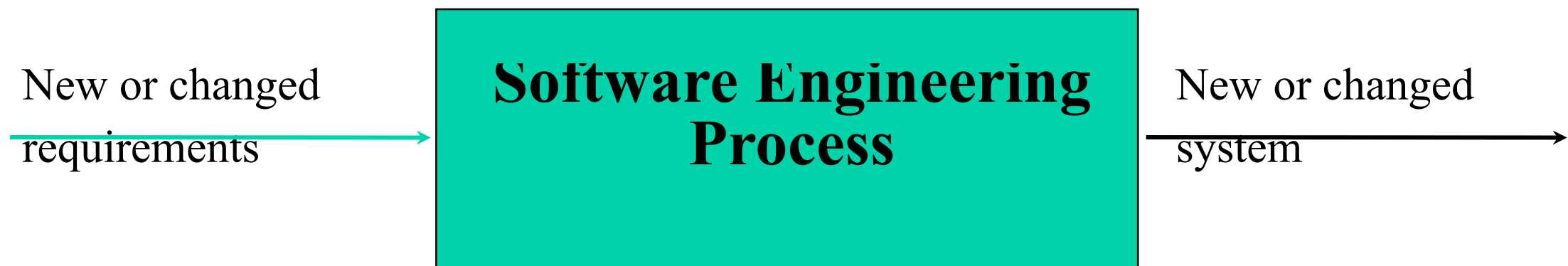
NASA Case Study

- On-board shuttle group
 - 260 developers; 420 KLOC
 - 1 defect in each of the last three versions
- 4 flight control computers vote @ 250 Hz
 - 1 independent computer takes over in case of failure
- Process: Level 5 SEI CMM
 - Everything is about process.
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 - No change is made without corroborating documentation.

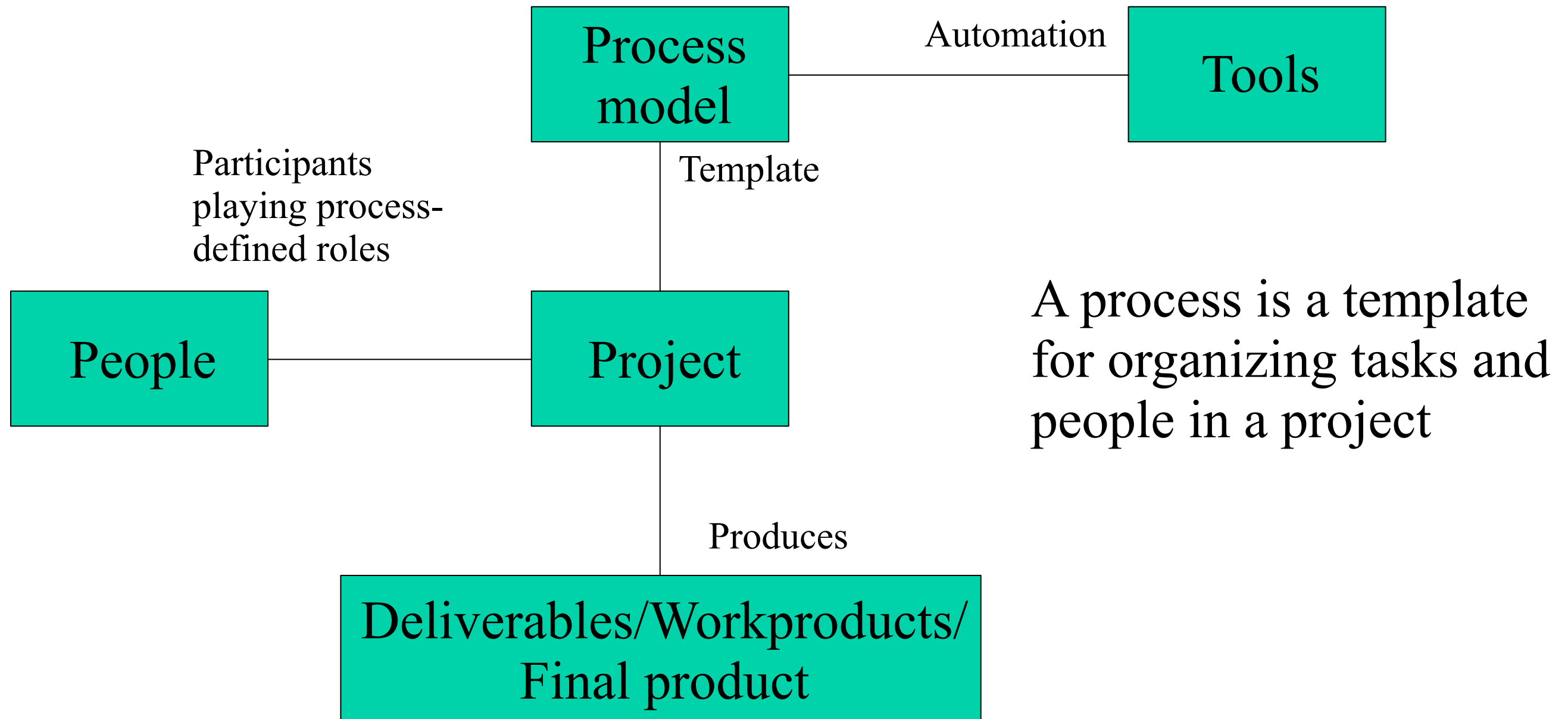
What Is a Software Engineering Process?

A process defines **Who** is doing **What**, **When** and **How** in the development of a software system

- Roles and workflows
- Milestones
- Guideline
- ...



Process vs. Product



An Effective Process ...

- Provides guidelines for efficient development of quality software
- ?
- Captures and presents best practices
 - Learn from other's experiences
 - Mentor on your desktop
 - Extension of training material
- Promotes common vision and culture
- Provides roadmap for applying tools
- Delivers information on-line, at your finger tips

Lightweight vs. Heavyweight Processes

Heavyweight
e.g., V-Process

Customizable Framework
e.g., Rational Unified Process (RUP)

Agile (Lightweight)
e.g., eXtreme Programming (XP)

Document driven
Elaborate workflow definitions
Many different roles
Many checkpoints
High management overhead
Highly bureaucratic

Focus on working code rather than documentation
Focus on direct communication (between developers and between developers and the customer)
Low management overhead

Process choice

- Process used should depend on type of product which is being developed
 - For large systems, management is usually the principal problem so you need a strictly managed process. For smaller systems, more informality is possible.
- High costs may be incurred if you force an inappropriate process on a development team

Waterfall

Spiral

Rational Unified Process (RUP)

- Iterative and incremental
- Use-case-driven
- Architecture-centric
- Uses UML as its modeling notation
- Process framework
 - Comprehensive set of document templates, process workflow templates, and process guidelines
 - Distributed by IBM
- Philippe Kruchten. The Rational Unified Process: An Introduction (3rd Edition). Addison-Wesley, 2003

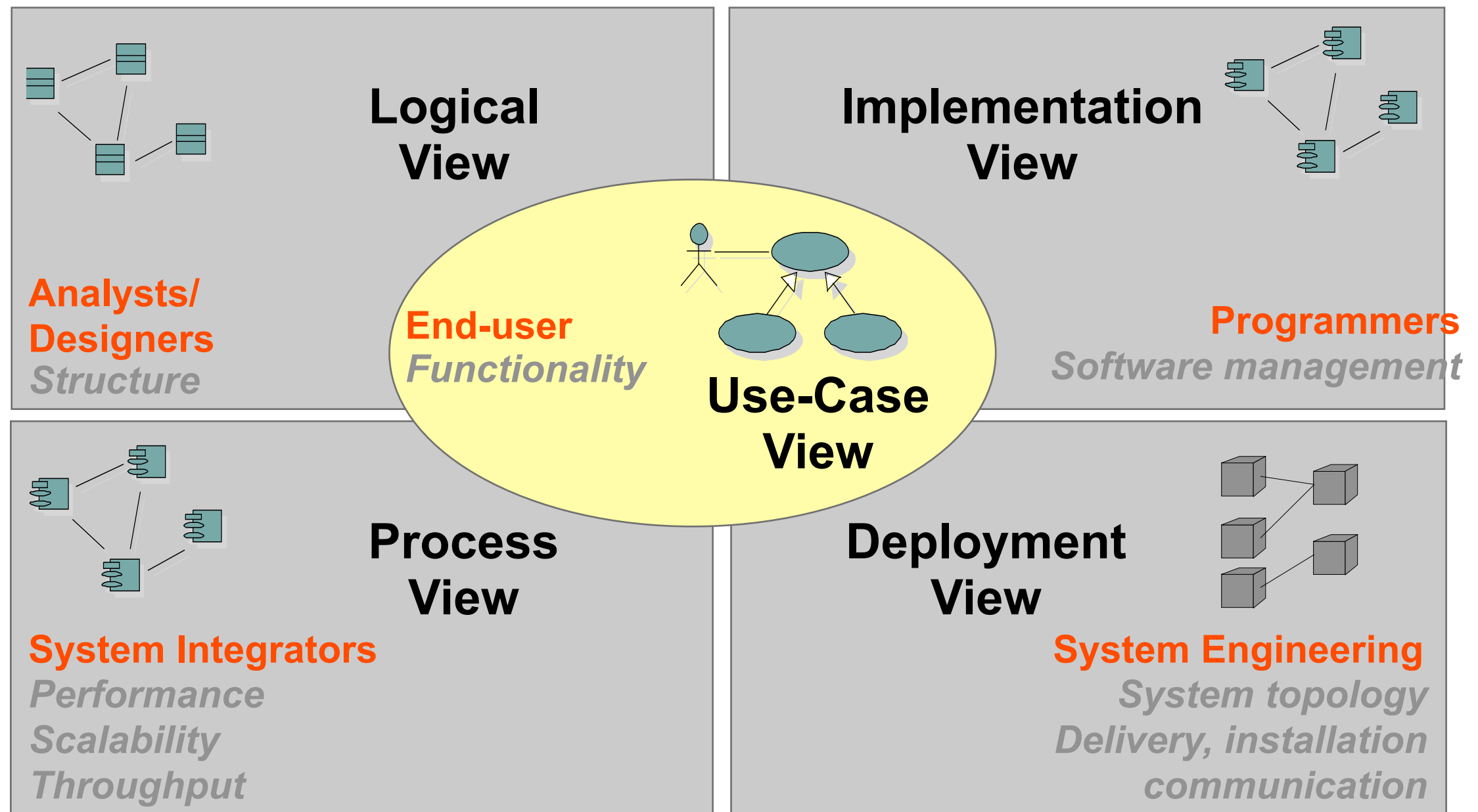
Rational Unified Process Is Use-Case-Driven

- Use cases are concise, simple, and understandable by a wide range of stakeholders
 - End users, developers and acquirers understand functional requirements of the system
- Use cases drive numerous activities in the process:
 - Creation and validation of the design model
 - Definition of test cases and procedures of the test model
 - Planning of iterations
 - Creation of user documentation
 - System deployment
- Use cases help synchronize the content of different models

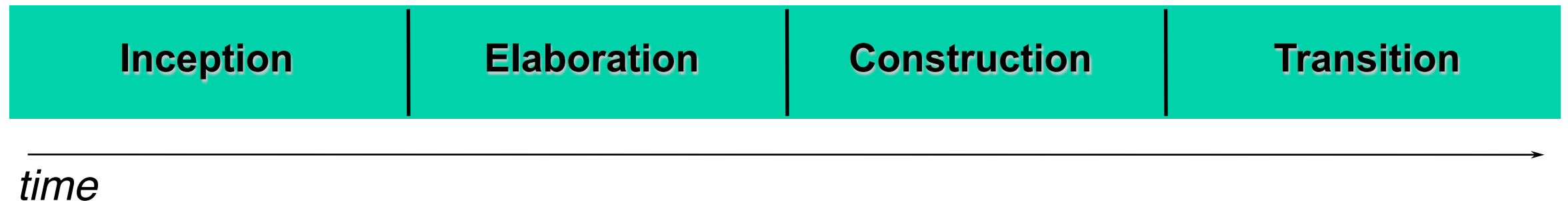
Rational Unified Process Is Architecture-Centric

- Architecture is the focus of the elaboration phase
 - Building, validating, and baselining the architecture constitute the primary objective of elaboration
- The Architectural Prototype validates the architecture and serves as the baseline for the rest of development
- The Software Architecture Description is the primary artifact that documents the architecture chosen
- Other artifacts derive from architecture:
 - Design guidelines including use of patterns and idioms
 - Product structure
 - Team structure

Representing Architecture: The 4+1 View Model



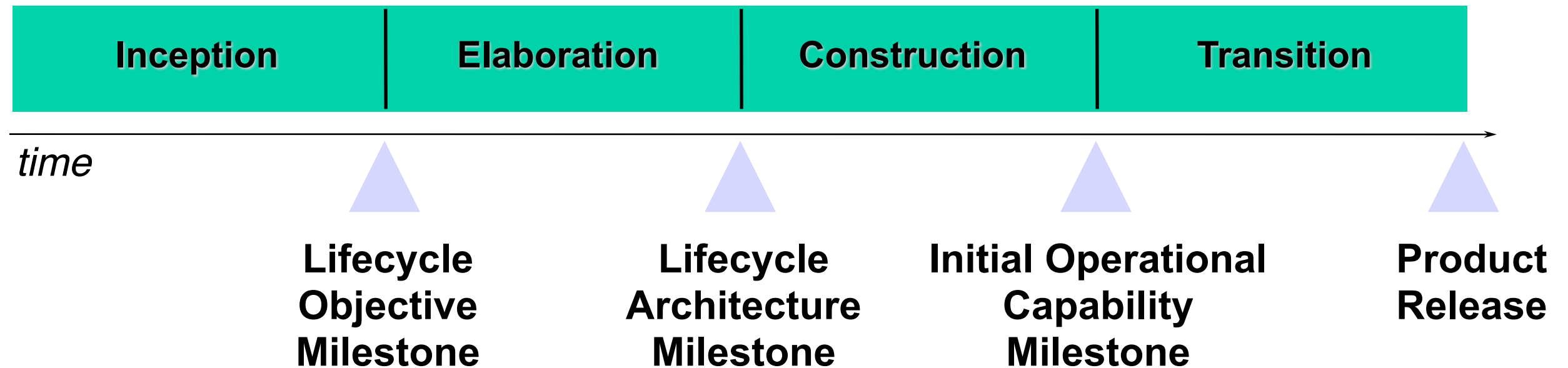
Process Architecture - Lifecycle Phases



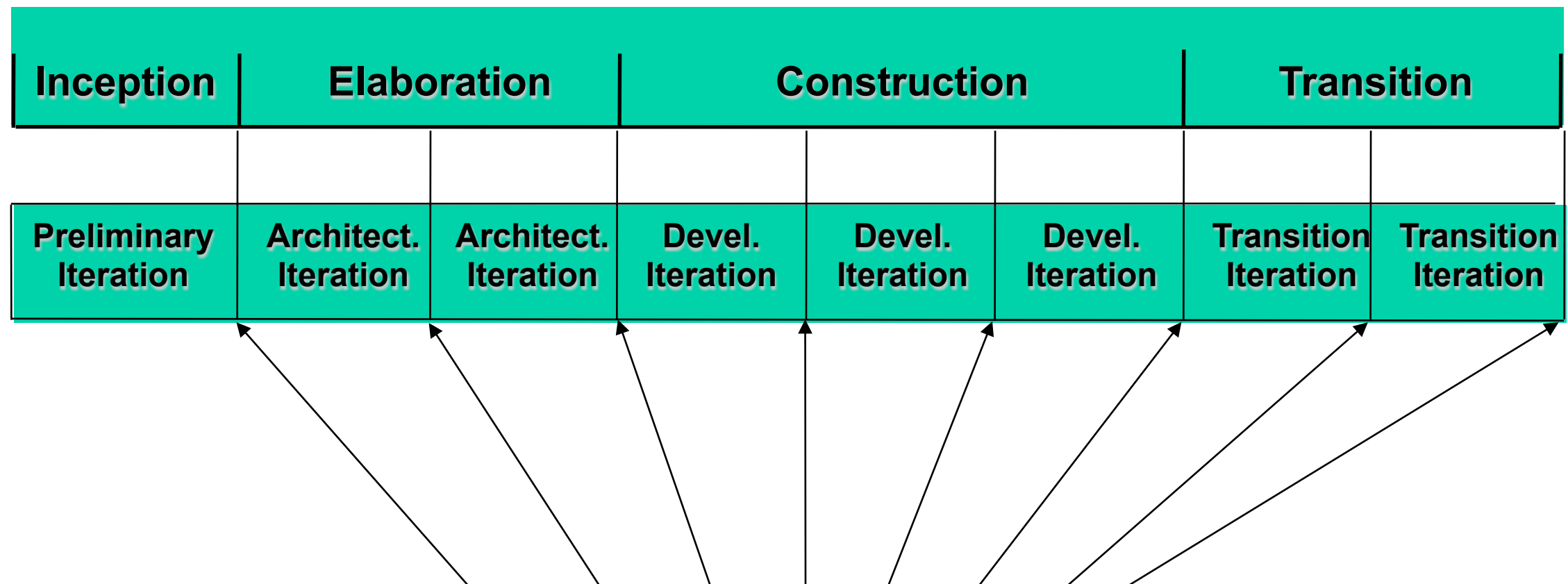
The Rational Unified Process has four phases:

- **Inception** - Define the scope of project
- **Elaboration** - Plan project, specify features, baseline architecture
- **Construction** - Build the product
- **Transition** - Transition the product into end user community

Phase Boundaries Mark Major Milestones



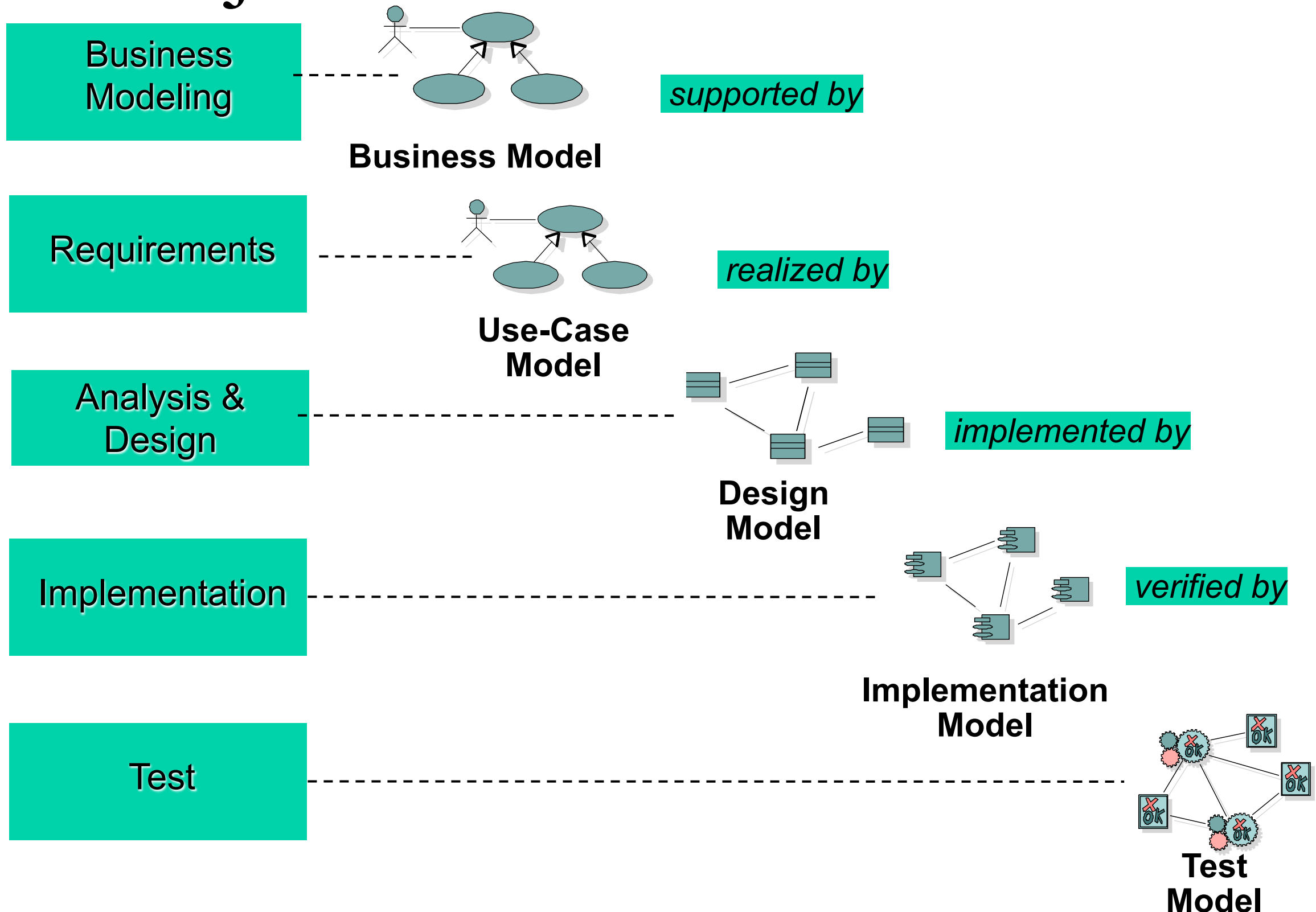
Iterations and Phases



Minor Milestones: Releases

An iteration is a distinct sequence of activities with an established plan and evaluation criteria, resulting in an executable release (internal or external)

Major Workflows Produce Models



RUP Overview

Phases

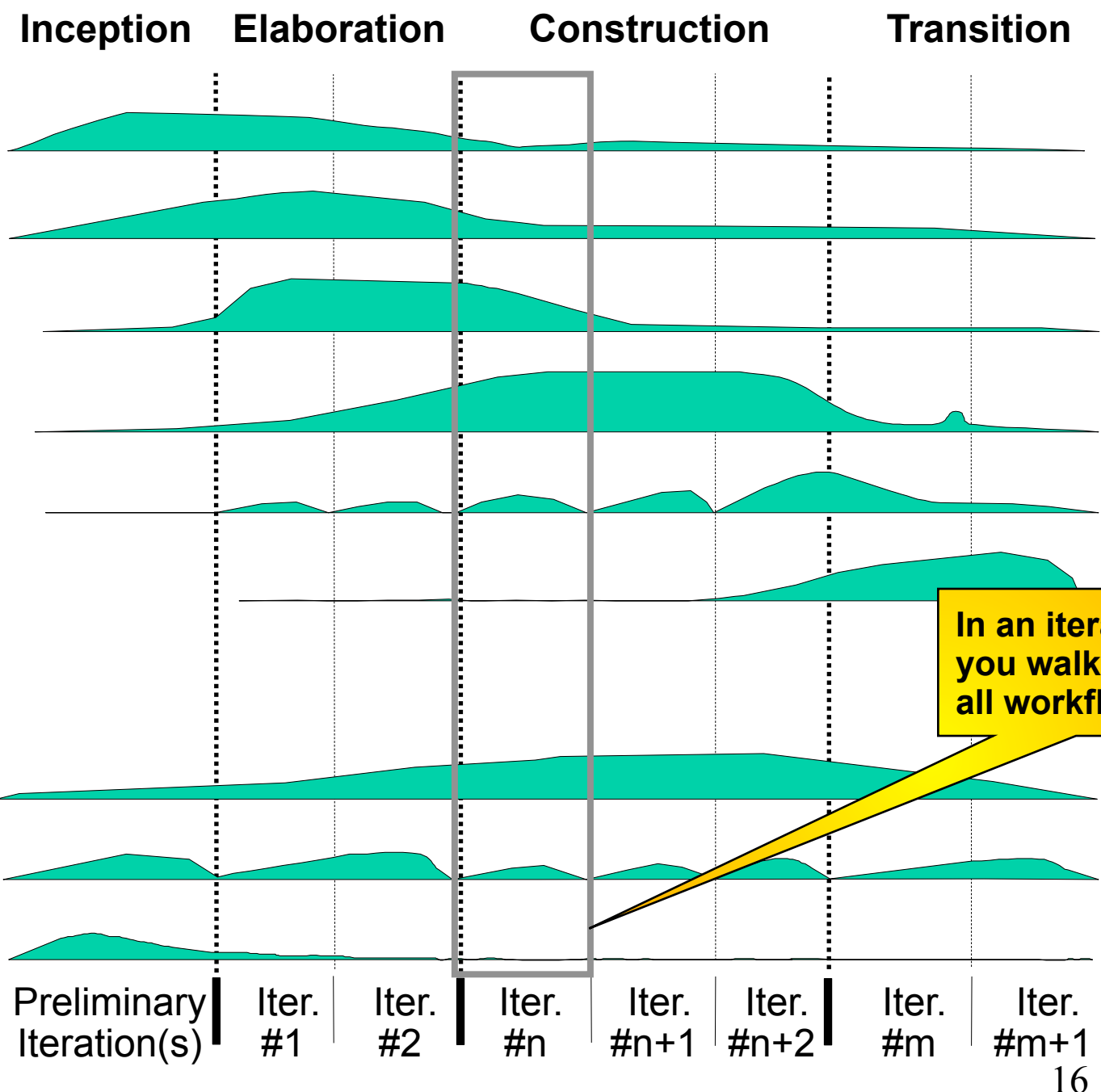
Process Workflows

Business Modeling
Requirements
Architecture & Design
Implementation
Test
Deployment

Supporting Workflows

Configuration Mgmt
Management
Environment

Workflows group
activities logically



In an iteration,
you walk through
all workflows

Iterations

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Manifesto for Agile Software Development

We are uncovering better ways of developing software by doing it and helping others do it.
Through this work we have come to value:

Individuals and interactions over processes and tools
Working software over comprehensive documentation
Customer collaboration over contract negotiation
Responding to change over following a plan

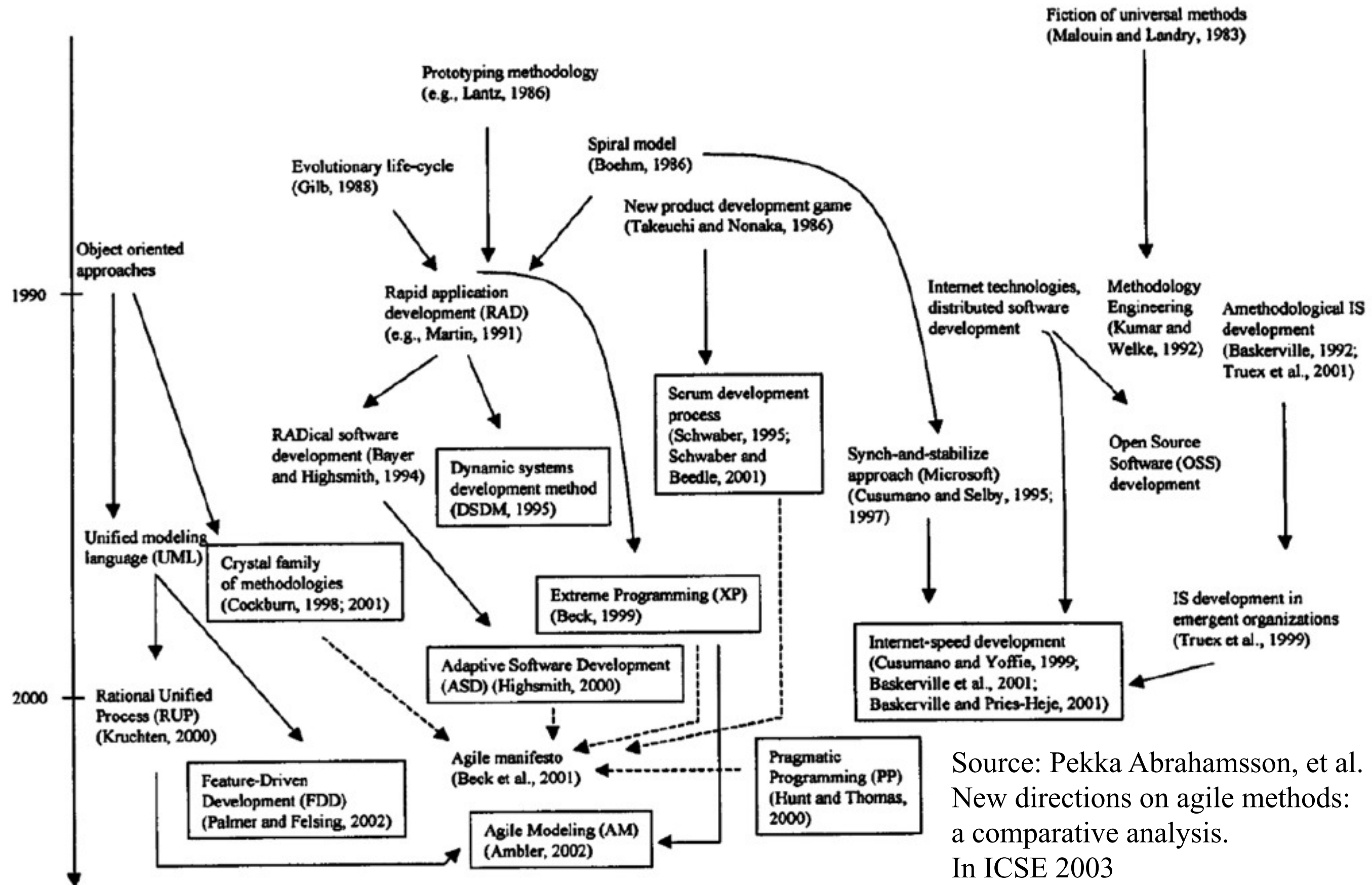
That is, while there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left more.

Kent Beck
Mike Beedle
Arie van Bennekum
Alistair Cockburn
Ward Cunningham
Martin Fowler

James Grenning
Jim Highsmith
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Jon Kern
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Robert C. Martin
Steve Mellor
Ken Schwaber
Jeff Sutherland
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History of Agile Methods

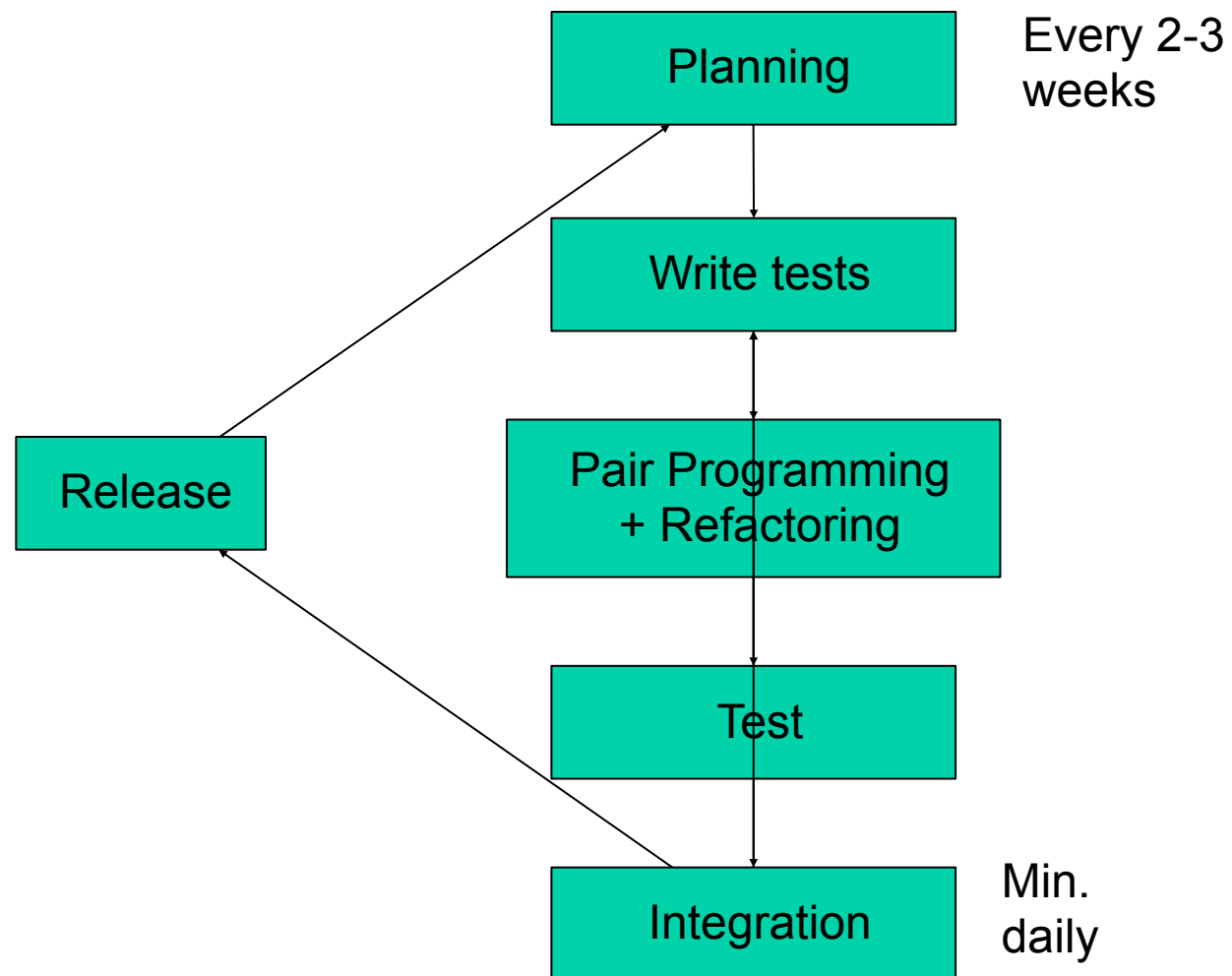


Source: Pekka Abrahamsson, et al.
 New directions on agile methods:
 a comparative analysis.
 In ICSE 2003

Extreme Programming (XP)

Characteristics

- Evolutionary development
- Collection of 12 „Best Practices“
- ?
- Testing is a crucial element of the process
- Focus on flexibility and efficiency of the process
- Designed for small teams (<10)



XP Practices (I)

- The planning game
 - Stakeholder meeting to plan the next iteration
 - Business people decide on business value of features
 - Developers on the technical risk of features and predicted effort per feature
- Small releases
 - Start with the smallest useful feature set; release early and often, adding a few features each time
- Metaphor
 - Each project has an organizing metaphor, a providing easy to remember naming conventions
 - <http://www.agile2005.org/RP1.pdf>

XP Practices (II)

- Simple Design
 - Always use the simplest possible design that gets the job done (runs the tests and states intentions of the programmer)
 - ?
- Testing
 - ?
 - Programmers write unit tests and customers write acceptance tests
- Refactoring
 - Refactoring is done continuously; the code is always kept clean

XP Practices (III)

- Pair programming
 - All production code written by two programmers
 - One programmer is thinking about implementing the current method, the other is thinking strategically about the whole system
 - Pairs are put together dynamically
 - <http://www.cs.utah.edu/~lwilliam/Papers/ieeeSoftware.PDF>
- Collective code ownership
 - Any programmer that sees an opportunity to add value to any portion of the code is required to do so at any time
- Continuous integration
 - Use of version and configuration management (e.g., CVS)
 - All changes are integrated into the code-base at least daily
 - The tests have to run 100% before and after the integration

XP Practices (IV)

- 40-h week
 - Programmers go home on time
 - Overtime is a symptom of a serious problem
 - No errors by tired developers; better motivated developers
- On-site customer
 - Development team has continuous access to a real life customer/user
- Coding standards
 - Everyone codes to the same standards
 - Ideally, you should not be able to tell by looking at it who has written a specific piece of code

XP Advantages

- Integrated, simple concept
- Low management overhead (no complicated procedures to follow, no documentation to maintain, direct communication, pair programming)
- Continuous risk management (early feedback from the customer)
- Continuous effort estimation
- Emphasis on testing; tests help in evolution and maintenance

XP Disadvantages

- Appropriate for small teams (up to 10 developers) only (does not scale)
- Large development groups may require more structures and documents
- If maintainers are not the people that developed the code, good documentation is necessary
- Generic design may be necessary to enable expected future development

Scrum

- “Scrum is not an acronym. It’s an event in the game of rugby where like-minded people get together and politely discuss ownership of a ball.”
- Rugby metaphor introduced by Takeuchi and Nonaka in their 1986 paper The New New Product Development Game that reported on innovative processes being used by big companies for new product development (e.g., cars, cameras, copiers.)
- Video: Ken Schwaber, Google Tech Talks
 - <http://video.google.ca/videoplay?docid=-7230144396191025011&q=agile+development>
 - Intro (2m00s to 9m27s).
 - Scrum works for any team (14m20s to 15m54s).
 - Game companies (33m00s to 35m13s)

Scrum Process

Software Development Scrum

- A collection of practices, reacting against high-formality processes
- Key ideas:
 - Timeboxes with deliverables
 - Small, self-managed, cross-functional teams of 3-9 people
 - Daily meetings
 - ?

Scrum meetings

- Daily, less than 15 minutes
- Each team member asked
 - What have you done since last meeting?
 - What has impeded your work?
 - What will you do next?
- Try to resolve impediments quickly, or schedule smaller meetings immediately following

Scrum Sprint

- A short development interval, e.g. 3 weeks
- Well-defined goal: what's going to be implemented, what's going to be demoed at the end of the spring
- Keep track of *Backlog*
 - Prioritized list of work to be done (features, stories, requirements)
 - Rough estimate of ideal number of days required to implement each item
 - Before each sprint, a planning session is held to decide what items from the backlog will be addressed by the sprint

End of Sprint

- End of sprint:
 - Demo
 - Collect feedback
 - Discuss performance, process
 - Plan next sprint

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